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Re: Amendment and Response to Final Office Action Dated April 7, 2003
Serial Number 10/044,738 filed 1/11/2002 "Method of Forming Ecoceramic-based Silicon-Carbide Tooling for Composites and Method for Forming Composites Using Same"

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In re Patent Application of:
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Serial No.: 10/044,738

Filed: January 11, 2002

Title: METHOD OF FORMING ECOCERAMIC-
BASED SILICON-CARBIDE TOOLING
FOR COMPOSITES AND METHOD FOR
FORMING COMPOSITES USING SAME

Confirmation No: 1561

Examiner: Christopher Fiorilla

Group Art Unit: 1731

Attorney Docket No. TA-00496

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 7, 2003, transmitted herewith for filing are
the following documents:

1. Response to Office Action Dated 12/4/2002;
2. Fee Transmittal; and
3. Transmittal Sheet.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees to the Deposit Account of
Bracewell & Patterson, L.L.P., (50-0259, Attorney Docket No. 0408RF.044917).

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO
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In response to the final Official Action dated April 7, 2003, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the "final" status and withdrawing of the same. Applicant also requests that the following amendments to the claims and the remarks as follows be entered.